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CAMP CRAFT AT MATOAKA

BY HEAD COUNSELOR CAMP MATOAKA

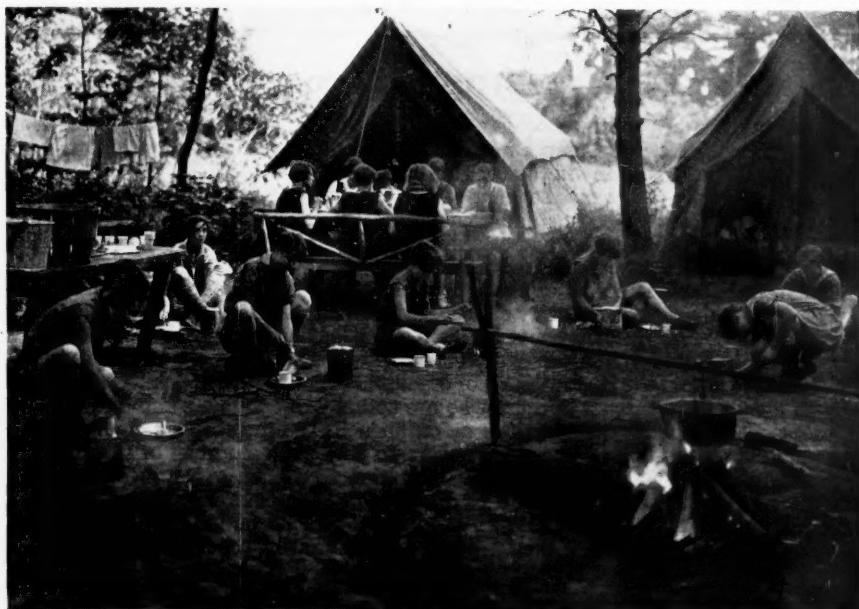
Campcraft is undoubtedly one of the finest activities on the camp program for developing a love of nature, a joy in living out of doors and a spirit of comradeship and coöperation.

It not only includes fire building and cooking but it emphasizes the essentials in selecting a camp site and affords a splendid opportunity for originality in constructing and using practical equipment. It is the place, while working among them, to learn the birds, the trees and the flowers, to observe safety regulations, guard against insect bites and apply first aid.

At Matoaka it is largely done in cabin groups. The activity for the different groups depends on the maturity and experience of the group as well as the need.

After a primitive camp has been established by the more experienced girls, the entire camp including the juniors goes in cabin groups to this camp regularly twice a week for cooking breakfast and supper. At first they cook only one or two dishes for a menu but gradually the girls develop more skill in handling themselves around the fire and they cook the entire meal. It is a great event when one group has shown sufficient ability to prepare dinner for the balance of the camp and serve it cafeteria style. The girls also thoroughly enjoy working out menus that are practical for their overnight hikes.

Last summer, as is evident in the picture, the girls very successfully cooked in number ten tin cans discarded by the kitchen. The tops were removed, the cans turned upside down, a four-inch square hole cut in the front of the can through which they fed the fire and a smaller one-inch hole cut in the upper part of the other side just opposite the larger hole which acted as a



draft. The top of the can took the place of a pan. French toast, pancakes, corn fritters, fried tomatoes and bacon and eggs cooked most deliciously on these individual stoves. The girls were most enthusiastic over the idea of sitting on the ground with a bundle of sticks to left of them, a stove in front of them, pancake supplies on the right of them and knife and fork in hand. As one little girl said, "You could cook, eat and keep the fire going at the same time." The individual stoves were particularly popular with the youngest girls who object to the heat of the open fire. In spite of using these individual stoves quite regularly with the youngest

campers they developed a splendid spirit of coöperation in dish washing, dish drying and general clean-up.

The girls are always ready for an extra period of campcraft. They write home elaborating on their part in cooking a meal and even illustrating themselves. They frequently select some part of this activity to pantomime on stunt night and often after they return home they send us pictures or write to us describing some family hike on which they planned the menu and did the cooking. Just a short time ago the entire camp was entertained by a little camper who presided over her own open fire and kettle on her own back lot.

CAMPING IN ENGLAND

BY HON. MILDRED LOWTHER

All this makes the task of finding a camp site rather arduous. Those of us who are thinking of taking our troops to camp have to start looking for a suitable place at least three months before the camping season starts.

The camping season lasts from the last days of July until the beginning of September. The government schools close for their holidays from the end of July until about August 25.

There are five important points to be born in mind when looking for a camp site — soil, water, wood, shelter and surroundings. A word on each is necessary as camping conditions in America and England are so entirely different.

Soil: Owing to the vagaries of our climate and the possibility of rain every day during August, it is essential that the camp should be on light gravel or sandy soil.

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Almost the only organized camping in England is that which is done by the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. There are only very few permanent camp sites and fewer still permanent buildings.

Land in England is very valuable and no large tracts of unoccupied country exist. The land is either used for building purposes or else it is agricultural land or privately owned property and forms part of large estates.

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EDITORIALS

In reading a number of camp booklets sent to the editor, it was gratifying to see the statement, "Member of the Camp Directors Association," printed under the name of the director. Membership in the association carries with it a professional standing that parents and educators are beginning to recognize and acknowledge. Member camps, if true to accepted basic standards and ideals, earn for themselves a place in the camping world and thus share in establishing a classification and rating which influences mightily the entire camping movement.

The Association welcomes all camp directors into its membership, who are in sympathy with and who will agree to carry out the basic standards and ideals of the organization. With a membership of nearly five hundred of the leading camp directors, allocated to seven territorial sections, the Association is in a position to render the kind of service necessary in promoting the best interests of organized camping.

Active membership is open to those who are actually directing a camp and whose camp measures up to the qualifications as outlined in the membership application. The annual dues are \$10.00. Associate membership is open to any man or woman actively associated with camping or with the educational program of youth. The dues are \$5.00. Present members who know of directors or counselors who should be connected with the C. D. A. will render a service both to the person invited to become a member and to the association, if they will become, voluntarily, solicitors for the Membership Committee. Make the chairman, Frank S. Hackett, happy by securing at least fifty new members this season.

The annual dues are now payable and should be sent to Miss Laura I. Mattoon, Treasurer, Wolfeboro, N. H.

November 17 to 23 is national Children's Book Week. In observance of the week, two excellent articles on books and reading are printed in this number of *Camping*. Read them carefully, take a good look at the picture of the library at Camp Kehonka, then resolve to make the little library nook at your camp more attractive next season. Book stores and public libraries will have special displays during the week which should be visited by camp directors, take pad and pencil, and make a note of book titles and suggestions for the season of 1930. A mid-winter project for your campers would be a book plate design competition.

Do you know that there are 50,000 tobacco dealers in the United States and only 2,500 book stores? Do you know that in Russia, nearly five times as many books are sold each year as in the United States? The figures are 240,000,000 to 50,000,000. Are we in danger of losing the art of self-entertaining through wholesome reading? Shall the children under our care in camp be permitted to enjoy the friendship of books? Yes! yes! comes the reply of camp directors everywhere. Very well, then, give more time and thought to this matter than we have done heretofore. Make that little nook in camp more cosy for reading. Have the books accessible to the campers. Expose them to the best.

Thanksgiving! When you sit down to enjoy your bountiful Thanksgiving dinner, you are just following a custom that has been in existence among the greatest nations for thousands of years back. The ancient Hebrews celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles or the Ingathering. The Egyptians on the banks of the sacred Nile held their feasts and offered sacrifices in thanksgiving. In Greece and Rome there were annual thanksgiving festivals. In England the Harvest Home festival is a popular gala day. The Pilgrims on October 24, 1621 celebrated the first American Thanksgiving. The first national Thanksgiving Day was appointed by George Washington in 1789. President Lincoln appointed November 26 as a national holiday and every president since then has followed his example. Thanksgiving of 1929 and the Thanksgiving of 1621, different in observance but the same in spirit.

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In the first place our camp is run by the Washington Y.W.C.A., and with this organization behind us we are more than a summer activity—to think of only during the times we are there. We have similar activities in the Capital City all the year round which keep us kampers all the time.

Our camp is for the girls and is managed by the girls as far as it is practicable. The counselors are there in an advisory capacity—and to help and teach the girls to do the things they choose. By treating the girls as individuals who can think for themselves, we find that the girls develop rapidly along the lines in which they are interested.

You would ask how we organize the girls so that they may competently govern themselves? There are approximately eighty junior girls in camp each week; they are divided into about five or six groups according to their ages. These groups meet each night just before Lights Out bell, and sign up for their duties for the next day, as well as discuss the kamp program, offer suggestions, etc. From each of these groups two girls are elected to meet as the kamp kouncil, each day to plan the kamp program. The group is in charge of the program, the rules and regulations, and everything that is necessary



in running kamp, with the Girl Reserve executive in an advisory capacity. The kouncil changes its membership each week so that each week a new group of girls, with many new ideas, represent the entire camp.

Several years ago, in the fall of 1926, there seemed to be a need for a definite group to be formed to keep us posted on kamp through the year. It was then that the counselors selected the first members of the kamp kouncil; one junior and one senior were chosen from the camp group of each week, and in this way there were twenty-two girls, all leaders and loyal campers, who were brought together to keep Kamp Kahlert before our minds during the other nine months of the year! The first thing which this kouncil found to do was the reunion—what camp can possibly do without a get-together during the winter—or maybe two of them! We have found that we just have to have a banquet where everyone can come to the Y and talk and laugh and sing—and most of the talk is about "last summer" and "Are you going down the first week?"

To us our reunions are high spots, and is the big thing around which our kamp kouncils center their attention. The 1929 reunion was held November 2, and it was just the best ever! At the reunion each

fall the newly elected kamp kouncil is announced. The system now in effect is much better than the one we started with. Each week at kamp the entire group elects three girls whom they feel have been the best campers. At the end of the summer it is left to the counselors to select one from each group of three, and declare them members. The new kouncil then begins its term after the reunion and continues the work through the year, finishing the next fall with the reunion. Three seniors and three juniors are held over each year, by election, to help the new members in carrying out the program. In this way the work is efficient and little time is wasted in getting the new group organized.

The kamp kouncil is recognized as an organization of kampers who have the authority to make and execute plans for the improvement of the Y camp. There is no binding constitution; they have what most people would call only a skeleton, but it is all that is needed. As any condition arises an amendment may be passed to better the purposes of the group.

Each year the kouncil has definite projects to work out. Last spring they decided to make an attractive flower bed in the circle of the kamp driveway where the cars turn around as they enter kamp. One of the girls who is very artistic designed the plan. A large "K" of the red geraniums was surrounded by other flowers of reds, whites and greens; the effect was striking for its simplicity. Another thing accomplished by the kouncil was a ceremonial, which was written by members of the group, and held at the opening of camp as a welcome to the new girls.

The project now in the process of development is the organization of an alumnae group, composed of former members of the kouncil. It is not the idea to tie the girls down with meetings and rigid organ-

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CAMPERS' LETTERS TO THEIR PARENTS

At the close of the season of 1928, I received a typed collection of letters from the mother of a camper with the following note:

We felt that these entirely spontaneous letters from a twelve-year-old might be of interest to you in determining reactions of one of your campers to your guidance.

Very cordially,
Mrs. George L. S.—

So I have in my possession the complete record of a camping season through a child's eyes, an unusual and valuable gift to a camp director. Many times during the winter following I read these letters through, wondering how many parents were fortunate enough to live through camp days with their children as Constance's parents had been. Did she not show her appreciation of her parents by letting them know every detail of her camp days? Isn't it a camp's province to teach appreciation of parents as well as that of the beauties of nature and music?

So, a definite place for "home letters" was found in our scheme. I was strengthened in this by a letter from another mother received a few days before the opening of the 1929 season, from which I quote: "I have a suggestion to make that may have the germ of an idea in it. My friends all agree that it is provoking to get the average letter from camp which reads, 'Dear Mother: Having a wonderful time—best ever. I have but five minutes to write this before the dinner bell. Much love, Mary.' This is not an exaggeration. Can you have a half hour letter writing assignment and at the close let those who want to, read the descriptive part of their letters aloud and let the balance of the campers judge whose is the best and give an award for it?"

Her suggestion could not be followed literally but it helped us. We have always required two letters a week home as most camps do but left it entirely to the campers

to find the time to write and to tell what they cared to. This season, the day before the letter was to be mailed, directly after rest hour, was the home letter period. In most cases the counselors wrote at the same time and the events of the intervening period were discussed. Knowing that memory fails frequently the items of interest were typed and posted in each cabin. Here is the bulletin for July 18:

HAVE YOU WRITTEN ABOUT

1. Monday's hike in the wind
2. Cardinal Cabin's assembly
3. Assembly in Nature Cabin to become acquainted with the fossils found on our beach. Whales' ribs and back bones and shark's teeth 8,000,000 years old are washed up on our sands.
4. Tuesday night's musical program
 - a. The piano numbers
 - b. The cabin song contests
 - c. Naming songs played on piano

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CAMPING'S RECOMMENDED DEALERS

A Classified Directory of Advertisers of Interest to the Organized Summer Camp. Camp Directors are urged to write these dealers for catalogs and prices when buying supplies

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October 1, 1928 to October 1, 1929

Balance October 1, 1928		\$ 120.04
Income:		
Dues		3,870.00
*Placement Bureau balance		264.12
Miscellaneous		
Stenographic service	\$ 13.00	
Atlantic City Convention exhibitors	1,305.00	
Swimming Conference balance	92.88	
Reserve fund (transferred to savings account)	25.00	1,435.88
		\$5,690.04
Expenditures:		
Stationery, stamps, telephones	\$ 329.74	
Printing (total \$402.92 less income \$209.68)	193.24	
President's traveling	153.55	
Secretary's stenographic assistance	49.25	
Secretary's salary	1,570.83	
Secretary's traveling	386.97	
Secretary's stenographic assistance	774.71	
Miscellaneous		
Repaying Bank for loan	\$1,000.00	
Sportsmen's Show exhibit	125.25	
Atlantic City convention 1928	11.66	
Atlantic City convention, 1929	228.33	
Mural painting for exhibits	25.00	
Transferred to fund account	25.00	
Universal display for C. D. A. exhibits	42.54	
Training Course Directory	.50	
Typewriting rent and repairs	27.25	
<i>Camping</i> , Cosmos Press	541.00	
<i>Camping</i> subscriptions	105.00	
Executive Committee travel	4.65	
Conference poster design	30.00	
Membership, Outdoors Clubs	15.00	
Membership list	3.50	
Typing refund	2.00	
File case	4.50	
Sargent's Handbook	5.00	
Sealing machine and paper	7.86	
Mountain Magazine	1.00	2,205.04
		\$5,663.33
Total income		\$5,690.04
Total expenditures		5,663.33
Balance, October 1, 1929		\$26.71

* Bill outstanding for Placement Bureau stenographic work \$142.50.

PLACEMENT BUREAU

The Placement Bureau of the Camp Directors Association desires to call the attention of the directors to the following list of counselors who wish positions for next year. Further qualifications will be furnished upon request.

No. 10. Woman. Michigan. Could be assistant in swimming, has passed senior Red Cross tests; has had four years at one of the best camps for girls in the country; is a freshman in college.

No. 12. Woman. New York state. Swimming counselor with baseball and dramatics; was many years a camper and last year a counselor; is a sophomore in college.

No. 14. Woman. North Carolina. Assistant dietitian; can assist with weaving and nature lore; college graduate with special work in home economics and dietetics; is a teacher of science and home economics in high school.

No. 16. Woman. Nebraska. Handcraft and group singing, and can assist in campcraft and horseback riding; college student; trained with the Camp Fire camps and Girl Reserves.

No. 18. Woman. Ohio. Can assist with swimming, passed senior life saving test of the Red Cross; also can assist with tennis and hockey; has had excellent training in one of our best New England camps; college student, physical education.

No. 20. Woman. Massachusetts. Swimming and land sports, passed senior Red Cross life saving test; can assist in handicraft, campcraft and dramatics; graduate of physical education school.

No. 22. Woman. Washington, D. C. Can assist with swimming, passed senior Red Cross life saving test; junior counselor.

LAURA I. MATTOON, Secretary
Wolfeboro, N. H.

NEW YORK SECTION NEWS

The first meeting was held at the Columbia Faculty Club, New York, on Friday evening, October 25. A unique feature of the dinner served at six-thirty was the round table discussions. At the several tables the following topics were considered: "Keeping in Touch with Old Campers," "Publicity Methods," "Following Up New Leads." At eight o'clock, the discussion centered around the report of the New York Section presented at the Atlantic City meeting, dealing with "Enlightened Social Participation." Participants included directors of girls' camps, boys' camps and small boys' and girls' camps, so that every type of camp was represented.

The dates for the winter meetings are: *General meetings*; December 13, February 14, and an out-of-town meeting in April (date to be decided).

Sectional meetings: November 15, January 10, March 14.

The section is particularly desirous of having counselors attend their meetings and notices are sent to counselors whose names are sent in to the secretary, Miss Emily H. Welch, 804 Broadway, New York City, by the directors.

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By A. E. HAMILTON

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Reaching the other camp after sundown one evening, the visitor stepped into a concerto of firelight and candle glow. The

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Charles Boni *Paper Books*, 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Have you heard about Charles Boni *Paper Books*? Their first selection is *The Golden Wind* by Takashi Ohta and Margaret Sperry. That sounds interesting doesn't it? It is; let us tell you what some of the critics say.

First there is the telegram from Louis Untermeyer, "Congratulations on *Golden Wind*. No one could fail to be moved by it since its appeal is so varied. The book is distinctive from first to last paragraph, an extraordinary combination, exotic, poetic and ironic. A picturesquely fairy tale made actual and modern." Another reviewer says, "Out of China, torn by civil war and gloomy with its internal disorders comes this tale of *The Golden Wind*. It is the story (an autobiographic fantasy rather) of a Japanese exile, whose wanderings have provided Miss Sperry with an opportunity to catch the East and show it to us in a tale of imaginative pattern and creative design."

From Padraic Colum comes, "A Japanese youth of a prominent family, banished from the empire because of the political activities of his father, took refuge in China. There he served under a Chinese general of the revolutionary army, and later joined the bandits of northern Manchuria. This is the basis for *The Golden Wind*; the young Japanese tells of his adventures. And because of an unusual collaboration this actuality has been given a deep meaning and a wide scope."

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BOOK REVIEWS

Daniel Nicholas Chodowiecki, one of Frederick's close friends and the most popular illustrator of the time. Little known today except to collectors, this second *Paper Book* selection affords an opportunity to become familiar with his engravings. These have been secured in part from the Metropolitan Museum."

These two splendid books foretell a prosperous future for Charles Boni *Paper Books*. A letter to this publishing house at 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City will bring you more information about this "golden opportunity." Subscription price for twelve books is \$5. a year. B. L.

A Water Program for Camps. By THOMAS K. CURETON, JR. P. Blakiston's Sons & Co. Philadelphia.

An excellent handbook for the camp swimming executive. It covers all the important phases of the swimming program in the summer camp. One chapter deals with the organization of the staff, the duties and training of the waterfront director and the selecting and training of assistants. Another section, well illustrated with diagrams and pictures, as is the whole book, gives the important points in the organization of the equipment: the safety essentials, diving boards, life boats, etc. One entire chapter is devoted to the water program, touching upon the planning of the program, the classification of the swimmers, outlines of instruction, water meets, progressive tests, life saving, analysis of the individual and speed swimming. Still another chapter is devoted to suggestions for teaching swimming. Counselors as well as executives will find this book, sponsored by the American Red Cross, well worth owning. Incidentally many private beach owners would find this booklet valuable when considering safety precautions about the swimming dock.

Jesus of Nazareth. By AGNES ADAMS. Illustrated by W. H. Margetson. Oxford University Press. \$2.00.

In this book Miss Adams has retold the story of the life of Jesus in simple language without making any attempt to moralize or teach. The book seems to be a typical English publication, well done from a construction and a layout standpoint. The illustrations by W. H. Margetson are exceptionally fine. They are authentic in regards to clothing and background of Palestine, inspiring in subject and excellent for a child to study.

A Busy Day. Written and illustrated in color by BEATRICE TOBIAS. E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc. \$2.00.

A day's experience of ordinary little mischievous busybodies depicted in simple verse. Gorgeously colored and hand lettered is this book for little tots. The author is a sixteen-year-old girl, whose truth of detail, beauty of line and wealth of imagination make this a book of surprising ingenuity. M. S. R.

For the Glory of France. By EVERETT McNEIL. E. P. Dutton & Company. \$2.00.

France of the early seventeenth century, France of the old régime; stealthy footsteps, muffled oaths, crossed swords; beauty, grandeur, love, hatred and intrigue all tossed in together and we have *For the Glory of France*, a narrative which needs no other description to the followers of McNeil.

The period is that of the bitter struggle between the Catholics and Huguenots, the place a public square in Honfleur, a small seaport town on the northwest coast. Here Noel Bidoux, one of the heroes of the narrative, comes face to face with the most stupendous adventure of his young life. In a moment of youthful ardor for fair play, he casts his lot with one Robert De Boville, at the time unknown to him, against a maelstrom of terrifying odds, which serve to give the two new-found friends sufficient impetus to stowaway in the vessel of Sieur de Champlain bound for the New World.

Under Captain Champlain the two boys explore in the New World and aid in the settlement of Quebec, France's strongest bid for ascendancy on the American continent. There is no end to the diversity of situation and variation of plot that carries the reader in fascination through every chapter in the book. The characters are made to move with the semblance of reality and the description is startlingly vivid. The main plot, though having sufficient momentum of its own to carry the interest of the reader, is supplemented by several counterplots, all cleverly merged into a single fabric of satisfying completeness.

The story is supposed to be historically authentic, and some facts of real value to the student of the French and Indian Wars are to be found therein. The colossal mistake of Champlain's taking sides with the weaker Algonquin Indians against the powerful Iroquois is well emphasized, and the juvenile mind is acquainted with this potent factor in France's losing her New World domain.

Then, too, the color and temper of the times is so well portrayed as to give a helpful insight on historical setting.

While the book is more for the younger set, its heroes being two youths, one of mature pursuits may find it interesting reading. For all those whose pulses quicken at the call of adventure, for all those who love a good story well told, I recommend *For the Glory of France*. M. K.

Short Poems for Short People. By ALICIA ASPINWALL. E. P. Dutton & Company. \$2.00.

Clear, pure, and sparkling gems are the little rhymes contained in this volume. All the marvels and wonders of child life are presented from a perfectly delightful wee tot's viewpoint. Babyland has come to its own with the publishing of this collection of decidedly wholesome verse.

M. K.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Little Spotted Seal. By SOL N. SHERIDAN. Harper & Brothers. \$2.50.

One evening by moonlight John Algernon Fitzpatrick is swimming alone in the waters within the reef at Waikiki. Unexpectedly he hears someone talking very close to him. It chances to be the Little Spotted Seal, who doesn't know what he is to do, for he has had his whiskers burned off. Arrangements are made by John to introduce his sister Elsie to the Spotted Seal, for Elsie is noted for her genius at solving very hard and difficult problems. The next evening Elsie and John with their little brother, Roy, who just positively refused to stay at home, meet the sad and gloomy seal. After much thinking and suggesting, some unique but very good substitute whiskers are found. The Spotted Seal tells them of his home where forgotten comrades stay. He related so many interesting tales that that very night the four of them set out for the Spotted Seal's glorious country. Adventures increase twofold upon their arrival at the land of forgotten comrades — sunken treasure ships, daring pirates, boats without crews, and strange sea monsters. Truly, this is a writing full of vivid imagination and fascinating adventure. Both the author and artist are familiar with the tropic seas, and together they have woven as one this magic book for boys and girls who have outgrown the lure of the fairy tale.

M. K.

The White Puppy Book. By CECIL ALDIN. Oxford University Press. \$1.25.

Dogs are sometimes very intelligent. The white puppy, named Snowball, is especially so, for in this tiny volume he writes his diary account of all that occurs on Monday. He's mischievous and vivacious, but he knows when he's done wrong. Like all bad dogs, he has to be punished. He chases cats, tries to catch tempting butterflies and reckless sparrows. He eats things that don't mix, sits around like a mope. Off into mischief he goes again, just as soon as he feels better. When bed-time comes, he just can't stand a hot stuffy house and out into the yard he slips. His diary is interesting and since he has kept it himself, he must be a very very smart dog.

M. K.

Little Blacknose. By HILDEGARDE HOYT SWIFT. Harcourt, Brace and Company.

Blacknose, born at a foundry, captivates your heart when you meet him. His steel nerves, hot temper, and sensitive nature aid him in attaining success. His days are spent performing his duty and enjoying terrifying the horses, who caused him so much distress on the day of his trial trip between Albany and Schenectady. After fourteen years of active service, he is retired to a peaceful corner where he wiles away the lonely hours with his dreams. When he convinces himself that the world has forgotten him, things take a unique turn and life becomes one glorious undreamed-of success.

M. K.

A Daughter of the Seine. By JEANETTE EATON. Harper and Brothers. \$2.50.

The French Revolution with all the dramatic happenings surrounding it form a perfect background for Madame Roland's life story. Every page of this volume is filled so full of friendship, romance, love and courage that only the mystical thread of Madame Roland's personality make one of all. Figures of history, who have had only a hazy place in one's mind, become real flesh and blood people in Jeanette Eaton's book, *A Daughter of the Seine*. To read such a volume is to become enamored with the life of a woman who gave willingly of herself — even unto death — to make France the republic she is today.

M. K.

MESSAGE TO MEMBERS
FROM THE SECRETARY

1. Will each member of the Association kindly notify the national office, Wolfeboro, N. H., at once of any change of address, either winter or camp. Also kindly let us know, should the camp be discontinued.

2. Will each member consider himself or herself a reporter for this paper and send in any items of interest concerning our members or any news from the camping world that would be of interest to us.

3. If any of the members find themselves in the vicinity of a section other than their own, they will find a warm welcome at any of the meetings. The dates of these meetings will be given in *Camping* each month. If a member plans to spend the winter in the vicinity of any section other than his own kindly write to the secretary of that section and ask to have notices concerning the meetings mailed to you. Below are the names and addresses of the section secretaries:

New York: Miss Emily Welch, 804 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

New England: Mrs. C. A. Roys, 22 Ordway Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Pennsylvania: Mr. James R. Keiser, 5325 Angora Terrace, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mid-West: Mrs. L. A. Bishop, Three Lakes Wis.

Southern Appalachian: Mrs. H. L. Parry 1076 Hudson Frive, Atlanta, Georgia

Pacific: Miss Esther Blankenship, 147 W. Oak St., Stockton, California

Mid-Atlantic: Mrs. S. S. Alburtis, 29 W. Irving St., Chevy Chase, Md.

Rocky Mountain: Mr. Leslie Deal, Y. M. C. A., Denver, Colo.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

At the Executive Committee meeting of October 25 and 26 it was decided to hold the 1930 Convention at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. The date is to be announced in the next issue. There will be an annual banquet and the national board meeting will be held. This board is made up of the Executive Committee and the presidents of the various sections.

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DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Mr. Theodore Wallis has withdrawn from the management of the Winchester Country Day School and is now going to devote his entire time and energy to Camp Mishe Mokwa, located on Treasure Island in Lake Winnipesaukee, New Hampshire.

Mr. Robert S. Webster, director of Camp Wyeonda, has given up teaching and is devoting his time to the development of the camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Healy, Camp Androscoggin, are on an extended trip in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. David Layton, and Mrs. Dwight L. Rogers and daughter, Lucile, formed a group of visiting camp directors who spent a week-end in October at Miss Mattoon's camp Kehonka.

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DEATH OF MISS LAURA SANFORD

It is with feelings of sincere grief and sorrow that we record the death of Miss Laura Sanford, director of Camp Mesa-cosa, on September 14, 1929, after a long illness. Miss Sanford was formerly connected with Teachers College and stressed student government in the management of her camp. She was a member of the New York Section of the Camp Directors Association.



KAMP KAHLERT
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ization; it is our aim to keep the girls interested in kamp and to interest them in putting something permanent at Kahlert, a building or a room, something that they can feel has improved kamp for other girls as well as for themselves.

Kahlert has a true Homecoming Week the closing days of kamp! So many girls come back to join in the final affairs which are as unusual as any held during the entire summer. This year the carnival and the pageant stood out among the other activities. The former was known as the Mardi Gras and was held on Labor Day, opening with a baseball game between the juniors and seniors. Carnival spirit was high and the costumes were colorful. Following the outdoor supper a flower-decked gondola came up the river, and who was in it but the queen? The queen's identity had not been made known (she was elected by ballot) but there she was in the boat—the most popular junior. The queen, accompanied by her two maids (the girls receiving the next highest votes), came ashore and was greeted by the governor of the state and her pages (the staff). The queen was escorted to her throne and presented with the key to Kamp Kahlert. Following this presentation the guests went into the recreation room where a camp orchestra supplied music for dancing. The Mardi Gras closed with a cotillion led by the governor and the queen. The event was declared a huge success because it had given the entire camp something to do, no matter how large or small.

Kamp Kahlert is, you know, on West River, and is in Anne Arundel County of Maryland—one of the most historic counties in the state. Kamp feels that it is as much a part of this community as anyone living there, and that it should make its social contributions to the people. For this reason a pageant was held the last day of kamp, to which the community friends were invited. The pageant, "Maryland Free State, In Her Colonial

Days," has been given twice at kamp. In the prologue the historical background of the country is given. Following this is the scene of the landing of the *Ark* and the *Dore* in 1634 at St. Clement's Island. The second scene introduces us to Mistress Margaret Brent at St. Mary's, where we see that woman's intellectual abilities are recognized. Lord Baltimore's principles of religious freedom in the Act of Toleration were next presented. Free education was started in Annapolis in 1696 with the laying of the cornerstone of King Williams' first free school. We next see how the colonists resisted unjust taxation at the time of the repulsion of Zachariah Hood in 1765, and finally in 1773 the burial of the coffin of oppression is held. Following a brief epilogue "Maryland, My Maryland" and "The Star Spangled Banner" were sung, and the pageant brought to a close. The result of the pageant has been a new interest in Kahlert among the residents of that part of the state, and a historical benefit to the girls in becoming acquainted with the history of our camp location.

YANKEE INGENUITY REWARDED

Solving of an urgent problem in camp sanitation at Camp Morgan, a Y.M.C.A. camp at Washington, N. H., has won for Gordon R. Whittum, Worcester, freshman at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, one of the richest rewards available to a freshman of any American college. To young Whittum has been awarded the Yankee Ingenuity Scholarship, given by Henry J. Fuller, New York, alumnus and trustee, to a candidate from each freshman class at the institute giving the greatest evidence of what is commonly termed "Yankee ingenuity." The scholarship yields its recipient \$600 for the first year, and for the second year, if he is awarded one of the institute's other scholarships, a bonus of \$200.

HORSEBACK RIDING AT CAMP YONAHNOKA

BY CHARLES V. TOMPKINS

Riding is perhaps the most generally popular sport at Camp Yonahnoka in western North Carolina. The nature of the surrounding country contributes greatly to its popularity. The camp is situated in an open valley surrounded by mountains through which wind over fifty miles of bridle trails of unusual beauty. Campers not only enjoy riding but learn to ride correctly.

The riding master will not take any boy out of the camp grounds until he has mastered the fundamentals of riding and can control his horse. There is a riding ring on the grounds and also brush jumps and hurdles over which the more experienced rider may learn to take his horse before the season ends.

Twice a week after supper there are games on horseback in the riding ring. One of the most popular is "Musical Chair." There are six chairs, or boxes, in the ring and seven riders. Two or three members of the camp orchestra strike up a merry tune and when the music stops the riders must dismount and run with their horses to the chairs in the center of the ring. Of course, the rider with the most leadable horse is apt to get there first and the unlucky boy who finds himself without a chair leaves the ring. One chair goes with him, leaving six riders and five chairs. The game goes on until there is only one chair and two riders in the ring and the winner of these two gets the prize.

At the end of the season there is a horse show in which the midgets, juniors and seniors compete in different classes. Parents come to camp for the day and there are many visitors from the summer resort near by. There are three gaited, five gaited, and jumping classes, in each of which ribbons for first, second and third places are awarded.

This summer the first ten boys to win the camp emblem were given a gypsy trail ride which lasted three days. The trip was a tremendous success and undoubtedly there will be very keen competition from the beginning of camp next summer to gain a place among the first ten emblem winners.

COMMUNION

The rustle, rustle of the leaves,
And now and then a bird,
And in the distance presently
Voices of campers heard.

The rip-rip-ripple of the wave,
The blue sky up above;
And in my heart there wakens
A gentle thought of love.

Love for the things God gave to us—
The simple things of earth:
The grass, the trees, the flowing stream,
The vital things of worth.
And if each girl in Kahlert Kamp
Could vigil keep one day
At camp fire point I feel she'd learn
How God meant her to pray.
By a KAHLERT COUNSELOR

THE MID-WEST SECTION MEETING

The annual meeting of the Mid-West Section will be held December 6-8 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill. A special session for directors of private camps will be held Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Friday morning will be devoted to committee and sectional meetings. Subject for discussion at the separate meetings for private camps and organizational camps is the same, viz. "Progressive programs in camps": (1) Types of Camp Government; (2) Discipline or Honor Practice; (3) Awards; (4) Campers Responsibilities; (5) Projects. Herbert Twining is the general chairman of these sectional meetings.

Friday afternoon will be given over to the presentation of C. D. A. publicity by Dr. F. H. Ewerhardt; "New Departures for 1929," "Discards for 1929," under the leadership of Miss Beatrice Berthold; and "Equipment Talk" and demonstration under Albert Van S. Pulling. Friday evening, Dr. John P. Sprague, the national president, will give an address on "Socializing the Camp Director" and also lead in a general discussion on C.D.A. policies. Mr. Twining will report on "Progressive Programs."

On Saturday morning will be held a business meeting for active members, and a meeting for counselors. In the afternoon there will be reports from the various conferences and Miss Helen Ross will present the subject of "Council Fires and other Ceremonials, Idealistic Hour in Camp." The general session closing with an address on "Character and Camping."

The subjects to be discussed at the meeting of the private camp directors to be held in the evening and on Sunday morning, are "Relation of City," "State and Federal Inspection of Camps"; "How Clientele of Institutional Camps Affect Private Camps"; and "Publicity and Promotion of Private Camps."

NEW MEMBERS OF THE C.D.A.

New England Section

Mr. E. F. Barrows
Shelter Camp, Inc., West Brattleboro, Vt.
15 Oak St., Brattleboro, Vt.

Miss Elizabeth M. Carleton
Camp Chappa Challa, Duxbury, Mass.
18 Bradshaw St., Medford, Mass.

Bess Frazier Graham
Camp Ayapo, Somers, Conn.
2 Gardner St., Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Helen F. Nellson
Camp Waziyata, Wareham, Mass.
11 Chamberlin Terrace, Waltham, Mass.

Mr. Harry Nissen
Posse-Nissen Camp, Hillsboro, N. H.
23 Bertwell Road, Lexington, Mass.

Mid-West Section

Frank Lee Beals
Camp Roosevelt, Mercer, Wis.
180 E. Delaware Place, Chicago, Ill.

Correction. Matt Werner of Camp Ironwood, address should be, Webster Grove, Mo. and not Miss,

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The following applications for membership have recently been received at the National office. Other applications may have been sent to the sections but not yet received by the National Secretary.

New England Section

Mrs. Nell Barnes Knorr
Camp T-Ledge, Orr's Island, Maine
Orr's Island, Maine
Marion Z. Clancy
Worcester Council Camp Fire Girls
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Katharine E. Salkeld
Rimrock Farm, Petersham, Mass. P. O. Athol
R. F. D. No. 1, Athol, Mass.
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County, Maine
Miss Frances Alexander (Counselor)
Camp Wabun Annung, Kerrville, Texas
2631 Park Row, Dallas, Texas

South Appalachian Section

Mr. C. J. Alderson (Counselor)
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Texas University, Austin, Texas

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Lee Hermann-Base Ranch, Westcliffe, Colo.
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16 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Miss M. Louise Hollands
83 Maple St., Hornell, N. Y.

Pennsylvania Section

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Mid-West Section

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113 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.
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1112 Michigan Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.

CAMPING IN ENGLAND

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The wise camper visits her camp site during the winter or early spring; if the place is fairly dry then she may be sure at least that the ground will not be under water during August and September.

Water: This is a very important item. Water in a great many places is not very plentiful; it is generally spring water. The camper has to satisfy herself that the cottage from where the water is to come has a good supply and that the owner will allow the well to be used, also that the water is pure and the well unpolluted.

In England except in the North, there are very few lakes or stretches of water and sinking a well for a temporary camp would be out of the question.

Wood: This again is a matter which has to be carefully considered. All the fallen trees and dead branches are cleared away and there is very little suitable wood for burning to be found lying about. It happens quite often that wood has to be bought for use in camp.

Timber is very expensive in England. The small cottages and houses are all built of brick or stone because wooden houses would be far too expensive a luxury.

Shelter: If we cannot obtain the use of an old barn, outhouse or stables we take a marquee to camp. When the weather is

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worse than usual there must be some place where we can eat in comparative dryness and where blankets and clothes can be aired and dried.

Surroundings: This is a necessary part of a good camp. A pretty view, nice country, trees, sloping grounds, accessibility, all are essential to make a group of people happy and content.

Having found a suitable site and obtained permission to use it, our next consideration is the children whom we are taking.

The camping regulations are very definite and have to be closely followed by captains intending to camp. The captain must have a license. To obtain this she must have camped out not less than a week.

1. Know how to handle tents in dry and wet weather.
2. Know the rules of sanitation in camp.
3. Be able to cook in the open.
4. Erect hessian screening.
5. Make a flag staff and know the color ceremonials.
6. Write out a week's menu and the list of groceries required, stating the right quantity of milk, butter and meat each person should have daily.
7. Make out a week's program of activities and a list of patrol duties.
8. Have a general knowledge of first aid.

9. Know something about nature and woodcraft and be able to teach square lashing and gadget making.

No camp may exceed fifty in number without a special permit from the County Camp Adviser. If the number exceeds fifty the camp is then run in units of thirty with a separate kitchen for each unit. A camp adviser is in charge. A captain generally takes her own company to camp, but in some cases when she cannot spare the time or she is not properly qualified, the company is taken by another captain or else the children go to a group camp.

When the captain has passed her tests and has her license and is prepared to run a camp she sends out a letter to the parents asking if they approve and give their consent to their child coming to camp. In the letter the fee for camp is stated. The

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captain also asks if there is any special diet required or if the child has any physical disability. A kit list is also sent out.

A fund to cover the price of equipment, i.e. tents, ponchos, cooking utensils, etc. and also to pay for transports is quite a serious consideration. The usual cost is about 25 shillings to 30 shillings a week. This includes railway fare or transport by motor charabanc. The girl contributes about 10 shillings to 15 shillings a week, the rest of the money being earned by the company through a sale of work at rummage sale, trading with homemade sweets or jam, or else by giving an entertainment or dance.

All these matters receive attention during the winter and spring months.

When the company is going to camp for the first time, the captain and one or two experienced campers arrive at the camp site a day or two before the camp starts in order that the site may be properly planned and the kitchen and sanitary arrangements completed before the children come.

If the company is seasoned the campers, every one, arrive on the same day and the camp is well on its way to completion before bed time. Three to four hours are considered time enough to get the tents up and sleeping quarters arranged and a meal prepared.

The girls put up their own tents, in fact, they do everything in camp, except the actual digging which is considered to be too heavy for a girl of eleven years old. A squad of six girls put up a tent, the type used being army bell tents. Four girls sleep in a tent and the officers two in a tent.

The plan of the camp most generally used is as follows: The flag staff is put up in the centre of the camp site. The tents are pitched in a horse shoe formation round the flag staff leaving a clear space of twenty-five to thirty feet in the centre, a space of four to five feet is left between each tent. The commandant has her tent in the centre of the horse shoe and the other officers have tents at either end. The hospital tent is placed a little way behind the commandant's tent out of the line in order that it may be quieter but still easily accessible.

The tents are pitched if possible with their backs to the prevailing wind, opening out onto the space in front of the flag staff.

The kitchen is made about twenty-five yards from the tents — it consists of an open fire place made by turfing the ground three feet long and half a foot wide; a double row of bricks put one on top of the other with air spaces between, placed along both sides of the trench and some old pieces of iron put across the bricks on which the cooking pots stand.

A tent is pitched near by in the shade of a tree; if possible made to face north east and in it are kept all the grocery stores. The dry goods are stored in wooden pack-

ing cases — they are raised from the ground about four inches by bricks or wooden tent pegs and placed all round inside the tents. The middle of the tent is occupied by a roughly made table. The menu for the week is put up in a prominent place and a note book and pencil-hang from the central pole.

No butter, milk, meat or green vegetables are kept in the tent — all these things are kept in larders, either dug underground or else prepared by hanging a small packing case from the branch of a tree and covering the front with butter muslin. The milk and butter are kept in pails of water. Ice does not exist in camp.

There are three ways of disposing of refuse.

1. The incinerator which is too well known to need description.

2. A dry refuse pit. This is a hole dug in the ground about four feet square. All refuse from the kitchen and scraps are thrown into this pit, and covered with a thin layer of earth, once a day — six inches of earth and cinders are shovelled in, and a little disinfecting powder scattered over the whole. In this way there is no trouble from flies.

3. A wet refuse pit. A small hole about a foot square is made, adjoining this a larger hole about two feet square is dug and a channel cut between the two. The small hole is filled with green leaves or branches. Into this is poured all greasy water. The leaves catch the bits of food and the grease, and the water runs through into the big hole and percolates into the ground. The leaves are renewed daily.

The next requirement to complete the camp are wash houses and toilets.

Wash houses are made of hessian. This is nailed or tied on to six foot poles driven into the ground. One compartment six feet square is provided per tent, four wash basins are also provided. The toilets are constructed on the trench system and erected one hundred yards away from camp.

The camp "buildings" are now complete and it only remains for the campers to establish themselves comfortably.

As a rule the children sleep on the ground. They are issued two ponchos, one to put on the ground, the other to cover their bedding. Each child brings a paillasse case — a sack about five feet long; on arrival in camp it is half filled with straw and serves as a mattress — three blankets and pillow complete the bed — no sheets are allowed in camp. Everything in the tent has to be raised off the ground; firstly, because of the damp and secondly because the grass should be kept fresh and green. Clothes are hung round the tent pole. Beds when not in use or airing are rolled up and piled around the centre of the tent.

The hospital tent is provided with a camp bed, several spare blankets, a complete first aid box with a list of its contents clearly written and displayed, and the doctor's name and address, a chair, a basin and clean towel, also a spirit lamp

and kettle and a pitcher of sterilized water. This tent is always kept neat and in good order by the commandant and no one may use it without permission.

The work of the camp is divided into the following duties and a fresh patrol is responsible every day: (1) cooks; (2) mess orderlies who lay and clean the meals and wash up; (3) sanitary; (4) wood and water.

The sanitary patrol in addition to their sanitary work usually provide the color party, make and look after the camp fire and fetch and carry the mails once a day.

Naturally, each camp varies in regard to its patrol duties, programs and arrangements and this article is only intended to convey a general idea of what would be considered a well-organized camp by the authorities.

A daily program is made out as follows. Of course it is subject to considerable alteration and several luncheon, tea and supper hikes are undertaken. The program of activities varies daily according to the wishes of the company as expressed by the patrol leaders at the court of honor.

7.00 A.M.	Cooks up
7.45	General reveille and health parade
8.30	Breakfast
9.00	Orderly duties, beds and blankets are taken out of the tents and aired daily
9.45	Color ceremonial and short prayers daily
10.15	Campcraft and woodcraft instruction
12.00	Bathing if possible. A life saver in charge
1.00 P.M.	Luncheon. Beds made and put back into the tents
1.45	Canteen and court of honor
2.00	Rest hour
3.00	Free time for everyone. Inspection of camp by commandant
4.30	Tea
5.30	Games
7.30	Supper
8.30	Camp fire
9.00	Bed time
9.30	Silence. Taps

Hot cocoa and biscuits are taken round the tents by the officers at 9.15 P.M.

Under the heading campcraft and wood craft instruction, the girls are taught how to make all the gadgets required for camp, i.e. stands for wash basins, larders, stands for cooking pots, waste paper baskets, bootracks, towel rails, flag staff, etc. They are taught about fire making, care of tents in dry and wet weather, something about trees, and good and bad firewood; to take compass directions, make maps, how to track, stalk and lay trails and something about birds, flowers and general nature study.

During the "games" period all sorts of stalking and tracking games are played, sports, country dancing, nature walks, and games and team games are organized. Camp fire is the time during which singing is taught and yarns are given.

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THE EDITOR GOES VISITING

(Continued from October Number)

What a magnificent building is the log dining hall containing a huge fireplace, large enough to enter and stand up straight, in which was burning merrily big logs, recalling the lines "sings the blackened log a tune learned in some forgotten June" — but, sorely tempted as we were to linger, we had to be on our way.

After a drive of several hours we turned into the beautiful driveway of Camp Anawan, near Meredith, N. H. Anawan is conducted by Mrs. Nellie S. Winchester and the Misses Hazelton, a combination that has existed for sixteen summers without a break. Situated on a high site, overlooking miles and miles of Lake Winnipesaukee and mountain ranges, the camp presents a most attractive appearance. Real New England hospitality greeted us when we were met by Mrs. Winchester and the Misses Hazelton, at the doorway of the old house which serves as an office and reception building. The broad piazzas, overlooking this beautiful vista, serve as the dining room for the campers.

The graciousness of the directors, the unusual setting of the camp, the quality of the program, the excellent meals, the splendid corps of counselors, form a combination that draws the girls back each year to their camp of "known delight." It was our privilege to be present at the daily conference of counselors, under the guidance of Abigail Hazelton. Co-operation and team play were in evidence, two elements that assure the success of any camp.

Little Sister Anawan is the camp for younger girls and is located in a charming spot. The building was specially planned to house the entire group of girls. Back of the big social room is the sleeping porch. When we arrived the girls were rehearsing Haydn's "Toy Symphony." The clanging of the cymbal, the beat of the drum, the clap-clap of the castanets, the tinkle of the triangle produced in rhythm by the players and accompanied by the piano deserved the applause they received at the end of the selection. My! how the little tots did enjoy playing.

Would that every camp had as attractive wash rooms as we saw at Anawan. They were models of cleanliness and order. Clever health verses were painted in poster style and hung on the walls of the room.

Here are the clever verses we found in the wash room.

THE WISE GIRL

There is a girl in our camp,
And she is wondrous wise,
Her wash cloth is as white as snow
Her towel folded nice.

She never wastes her time in here,
I've never seen her fiddle,
I've never seen her pinch
Her paste tube in the middle!

These verses were illustrated by drawings of a towel neatly hung on the line, her

wash cloth properly hung up and a tube of tooth paste which had been "pinched" in the middle.

ARE YOU A GOOP?

The Goops behave in a funny way,
They quarrel and scream and splutter
They scatter papers in the "K"
And leave an awful clutter.

DON'T BE A GOOP!

OBEY THE LAW

One at a time within each "K"
Is all we tolerate,
Obey the rule,
I think that you'll
Its wisdom emulate!
(Look up this word.)

The nature cabin was presided over by Iola Kay Eastburn. It was not a museum, but a social center, a salon, where tea was served and the wonderful things in nature talked over by congenial spirits. Living creatures, odd freaks in nature, beautiful paintings, books galore, rugs, and comfortable chairs made the cabin a place where campers loved to be. From this cabin trips were taken for the purpose of studying geology, mushrooms, birds, ferns, flowers, etc. No musty, dead, uninteresting or unattractive things were to be found in the nature study program at Anawan.

It was three o'clock in the afternoon when we said good-bye to our hostesses and it was two o'clock in the morning when we saw the faint outlines of Chimney Corners, but we felt that it was worth while to make such visitations. Visiting a camp reveals what printed pages cannot reveal, that is the friendliness of directors, the high idealism that dominates the camps and the character-producing value of contact with wholesome personalities. You must feel all this and see it for yourself. Our faith and belief in the camping movement was strengthened as never before and we believe the next decade will reveal even greater things in the camping world.

A few days later we visited one of our neighboring camps, Camp Lenore at Hinsdale, Mass., conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Spectorsky. It was Saturday morning and the rituals were being conducted by campers in the social hall. The story of David was being presented in dramatic form, accompanied by Bach music, played by three skilled artists, a violinist, cellist, and pianist. It was the religious service of the camp, and a quiet, devotional atmosphere hovered over the camp and audience. The participants seemed filled with religious fervor, and the whole setting was very impressive. Every Saturday morning these rituals are given by the campers.

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Thus endeth the peregrinations of the editor for the season of 1929.

CAMPING IN ENGLAND

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The free time may be used by the children in any way they wish — there are no restrictions imposed except that bathing is not allowed without special permission and then only under strict supervision.

The water and weather are generally too cold to allow of more than a very short period in the water, ten to fifteen minutes is the usual time and then straight back to dress.

The usual staff for a camp up to fifty girls is the commandant, her lieutenant, a quartermaster in charge of the stores and cooking and, if there is bathing, a fully qualified adult life saver — making four in all. The children average in age about thirteen years — there are none under eleven and very few over fourteen.

We try very hard when in camp to keep in mind the necessary moral, mental and physical training and to teach the children the inner meaning of woodcraft in order that they may through the beauties of nature realize:

1. That they are part of a large family
2. That their duty is to play out their part and fulfil their responsibilities
3. To open their minds to a broader horizon and to give them an idea of the greatness of the universe
4. To give them a sense of comradeship an idea of playing the game and a feeling for team work.

"When the great Recorder comes
To write against your name
He writes not that you won or lost
But how you played the game."

5. To inspire them to enjoy the great adventures and the great romance that camping can be to all of us if we are able to open our eyes and minds wide enough to understand the real Scout spirit which the Chief Scout has given to us.

It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring or whistles blow
Or clocks don't strike or gongs won't sound
And I'd have stillness all around.

Not real stillness but just the trees
Low whispering and the hum of bees
Or brooks faint babbling over stones
In strangely, softly, tangled tones.

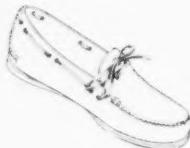
Or maybe the cricket or katydid
Or the song of birds in the bushes hid
Or just some such sweet sounds as these
To fill a tired heart with ease.

If it weren't for light and sound and smell
I'd like the city pretty well
But when it comes to getting rest
I like the country lots the best.

It sometimes seems to me I must
Just quit the city's din and dust
And get out where the sky is blue
And say now! How does it seem to you.

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CAMPERS' LETTERS TO PARENTS

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5. Rope walk in the moonlight along the Marginal Way.
6. Seniors rise at 3:30 A.M. to see Venus and Jupiter.
7. Seniors row to meet the sunrise.
8. Campercraft breakfast (Juniors)
 - a. Learning to make a fire
 - b. Cooking French toast
 - c. Washing dishes
9. Some of us go to Solomon's Island
 - a. Automobiles and truck
 - b. Our supper
 - c. How we spent ten cents
 - d. Dancing
 - e. Singing on the return trip in the moonlight
10. What the ones did who stayed home

Before the first letter of the season went home, at assembly we discussed letter writing and how much the ones at home looked forward to receiving them. The following extracts from Constance's first letter home were read:

Camp Matoaka
St. Leonard, Md.
July 1, 1928

Dear Mother and Dad:

Imagine yourself on a rustic porch facing Chesapeake Bay, with a sailboat far off in the distance and a steamboat with just a wisp of smoke arising from the funnel. That is where I have been to meals. It may interest you to know that I cleaned up my plate and that squash was one of the dishes at luncheon and that I ate it all and liked it too. I am always hungry and not a bit homesick, though I am not sure whether you will take that as a compliment to your daughter's fortitude (I assure you that it is) or an insult to yourselves (I assure you it isn't). After luncheon we went to assembly in the lodge. This has a great open fireplace, is lined with books, has a table to write on, a place to hang up tennis rackets, rustic cabinets for song books, etc. etc. The "family" was introduced to the campers including the counselors and the negro cooks who had been cheered at luncheon on account of an apple pie dessert. We were shown how to make our beds and then went back to our cabins to fix our things. Cling, clang! Bell for rest hour, not in the hammocks under the trees today as it was so wet but on our own beds. Then we went

swimming. Glorious paddling, shrieks.

By the way I think you forgot my tooth brush. Lots of love, Constance

Someone had just picked up the beginning of a letter, unsigned and unfinished, and she suggested that it was the kind of a letter mother and dad would not like to get. She read:

July 1, 1929

Dear Mother

There are a million things you failed to put in. For instance, I did not find my tennis shoes, my kimona, my new pajamas my . . .

And there it stopped but it carried its point of comparison and I am sure that the first letters to leave camp this year were worth reading.

Frequently letters from old campers were received sending greetings to the campers of 1929. They came from Panama; from Germany; from England; from many parts of our own country. These were always read just before letter writing time to the campers and our appreciation expressed of the many things we learned. That we had a measure of success has been proved by letters from the parents saying how much better our season must be than past ones as the letters were so full of things we were doing. Many of the children's letters were sent to us to read. The Bulletin of Events is not original with us, but it is worth passing on.

Susan S. Alburtis
Camp Matonka
St. Leonard, Md.

ON CANDLE LIGHT

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radiance from the hearth trembled out through the cosy room and lost itself in shadowy places. A score of candles made shadowgraphs upon the walls and ceiling — oblongs, triangles, squares, with rounds or ovals here and there where a vase or bowl stood between wall and light. Each candle point was softly golden, inviting the eye, retentive and restful. Each tiny flame was alive and cheerful in its own amber aura around electric blue. Reaching up, sinking down, flickering or quiescent according to their momentary mood, the candles burned. And the homey, comfortable, old-fashioned atmosphere of this room accorded, too, with the spirit of the camp — restfully recreative.

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